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30. (Amended) An image-projecting device comprising a zoom lens system that comprises, in order from a more distant conjugate point, a first lens unit of negative refractive power, a second lens unit of negative refractive power which moves during zooming, third, fourth and fifth lens units, wherein the nearest lens unit in said zoom lens system to more distant conjugate point is said first lens unit, and separation between each lens unit varies during zooming, and said zoom lens system further comprises at least one diffraction optical element, wherein said image-projecting device projects an original image to a subject surface located at a less distant conjugate position for said zoom lens system.

REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-32 are currently pending. Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in regard to claims 3-4, 7, 10-11, 13, 18, 23-24 and 26-29.

By this Amendment, claims 1 and 30 have been amended. No new matter has been introduced by this Amendment. Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested. Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-32 would be pending.

To assist the Examiner, attached to this Amendment is an "Attachment" that shows the amendments made to the claims 1 and 30 by bracketing the text that has been deleted and underlining the text that has been added.